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GOT WILL CONTINUE MILITARY BUILDUP

REF: FBIS KYRENIA 290831Z (NOTAL)

1. JULY 29 1100 TURKISH RADIO AND TELEVISION (TRT) NEWS

BROADCAST CARRIES STATEMENT BY PRIMIN ECEVIT FOLLOWING JULY 29

0700-1000 CABINET MEETING. PRINCIPAL POINTS OF STATEMENT ARE

AS FOLLOWS:

A. TURKEY WISHES TO RETAIN RIGHT OF KEEPING FORCES ON

CYPRUS, IN VIEW OF GREECE'S VIOLATION OF INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

THROUGH ESTABLISHMENT OF MILITARY INSTALLATIONS ON CYPRUS AND

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DODECANESE ISLANDS.

B. "WITH REFERENCE TO A CEASE-FIRE AGREEMENT, AT THIS STAGE WE CANNOT ACCEPT THE WITHDRAWAL OF TURKISH FORCES OR THE HALTING OF REINFORCEMENTS AND SUPPLIES FOR THE TURKISH FORCE (IN CYPRUS)" (PRIMIN INDICATED THAT HE HAD POINTED THIS OUT IN JULY 28 PRESS CONFERENCE).

C. NOTING THAT HE HAD BEEN IN TOUCH WITH FONMIN GUNES BY PHONE DURING CABINET SESSION, PRIMIN SAID THAT A CEASE-FIRE AGREEMENT "WILL EITHER BE SIGNED OR IT WON'T BE SIGNED. THAT IS THE PHASE WE ARE IN" (PRESUMABLY ECEVIT MEANS THAT NEGOTIATIONS ARE AT A DELICATE STAGE).
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